

The Issue of kissing the thumbs

(on hearing the blessed name of the holy Prophet)
(Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam)



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My belief

Banda'e Parwar Digaaram Ummat-e-Ahmad Nabee

Doust Daar-e-Chaar Yaaram Taab'e Aulaad-e-'Alee

Mazhab-e-Hanafiyyah Daaram Millat-e-Hazrat Khaleel

Khaak Paa'e Ghaus-e-A'zam Zer-e-Saayah Har Walee

I am a Bondsman of my Rabb I am and of the ummat of Prophet Ahmad (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam).

All four friends* (of the Prophet) I hold dear and I am of the slaves to the progeny of 'Alee** (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhum).

Hanafiyyah is my creed and I belong to the millat of Hazrat Ibraaheem Khaleel ul Laah, (Alaiehis-Salaam).

Dust from under the feet of Ghaus-e-A'zam***
(Radiyal Laahu 'Anhum) | am, and under the protection of every
Friend of Allaah (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhum).

^{*}Hazrat Abu Bakr, Hazrat 'Umar, Hazrat 'Usmaan, Hazrat 'Alee (Radiyel Leahu 'Anhum).

^{**}Hazrat Imaam Hasan, Hazrat Imaam Husaien (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhuma).

^{***} Hazrat Shaiekh Saivvid 'Abdul Qaadir Jeelaanee (Radival Lashu Anhu).

Poetic Verses اشعار

O My brother! O lover of the Beloved of Allaah (Sallal Lashu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam)
O devotee of the Wished for and Favored of Allaah

When you listen to the sacred name of Mustafaa (Sallel Leahu 'Aleibhi We Sellem)
Kiss your thumbs and touch them with your eyes

Read salutation (Durood) on him as addressing him Your eyes will never be ruined

Then Allaah will bless you with paradise
On the Day of Judgment, indeed he is the Intercessor

Whoever did respect while listening his name Fire of hell will be forbidden on him

His respect is obligarory for all the believers (Mu'mineen)
Who does not admit this their is disease in his heart

أے خدا أے بے نیاز و کارساز أے کر بیم من ، شبہ بندہ نواز

O Allaah! O Carefree, the Creator
O the my Most Beneficent, King of the kindness to the inferiors

Take pity on me for the sake of Your Beloved Mustafaa (Sallai Leahu 'Alaleh Wa Sallam)

And through your kindness forgive my sins and mistakes

O holy Prophet of Allaah (Satled Leahu 'Aleiske Wa Satlem') you are the beloved of Allaah Yes you are, undoubtedly you are, and truly you are

It is your grandeour to be the mercy for all the worlds
For Allaah's sake be merciful on me

Please glance once at this humblest, O the Bountiful Call me towards Madinah, open-handed Generous

O my intercessor, be kind to this slave Thousands and thousands of blessings and salutations on you

(المؤلف) (Author)

بِسَمِ اللهِ الرَّحَمٰنِ الرَّحِيْم

Bismil Laahir-Rahmaa Nir-Raheem

نَحْمَلُهُ وَنُصَلِّي وَنُسَلِّمُ عَلَى رَسُولِهِ الْكُويُمِ وعلى آله وصحبه اجمعين

(Allaah in whose name I begin the Most Merciful, Most Beneficent)
Nah maduhu Wa Nu Sal-lee Wa Nu Sal-limu 'Alaa Rasoolihil Kareem
wa 'Alaa 'Aalihi Wa As haabihi Ajma'een

(We praise Almighty Allaah and send peace and salutation on the holy Prophet, and on his progeny and all his Companions)

During Azaan, on hearing the blessed name of the holy Prophet who is full of Luminance (Huzoor Pur noor) and our Intercessor on the Day of Judgment (Shaafi'-e-Yaumun Nushoor Sallai Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) then to kiss the thumbs or the index fingers (Shahaadat finger) and place them on eyes is totally permissible (Jaa'iz) and preferable (Mustahab) and is a mean of attaining great blessings and bounties. There are many evidences available to support the lawfulness of this blessed practice. There is no evidence which would prohibit this practice. (*) Some of the evidences are presented here:

1. Highly learned great Scholar Shaiekh Ismaa'eel Haqqee (May Allaah have mercy on him) in his most famous book Tafseer Rooh ul Bayaan (The Interpretation of the Holy Qur'aan) states:

وَفِى قَصَصِ الْانِيهَاءِ وَغَيْرِهَا أَنَّ ادَمَ عَلَيْهِ السَّلامُ اشْتَاقَ اللَّى لِقَاءِ مُحَمَّدٍ عَلَيْهُ حِيْنَ كَانَ فِى الْجَنَّةِ فَاوْحَى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى اللَّهِ هُوَ مِنْ صُلْبِكَ وَيَظْهَرُ فِى الْجِرِ الرَّمَانِ فَسَأَلَ لِكَانَ فِى الْجَنَّةِ فَاوْحَى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى اللَّهُ التُورَ لِقَاءَ مُحَمَّدٍ عَلَى اللهُ التُورَ اللهُ التُورَ اللهُ التُورَ اللهُ التُورَ اللهُ التُورَ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ عَمَّدٍ فِي اللهُ اللهُ

^(*) For details on this matter see the book, Muneer ul 'Aien Fi Hukm-e-taqbeel ul lb Haa maien by A'laa Hazrat Maulana Shah Ahmad Raza Khan Faazil-e-Barelvi (Rahmatul Leahi Alaieh) and 'Jaa'al Haq' by Hazrat Maulana Mufti Ahmad Yaar Khan ('Alaiehir Rahmah)

سُيِّيَتْ تِلْكَ ٱلْإصْبَعُ مُسَبِّحَةٌ كَمَا فِي الرَّوْضِ الْفَائِقِ اَوْ اَظْهَرَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى جَمَالَ حَبِيْهِ فِي صِفَاءٍ ظَفَرَى إِبْهَامَيْهِ مِثْلُ الْمِرْآةِ فَقَبَّلَ ادَّمُ ظَفَرَى إِبْهَامَيْهِ وَمَسَحَ عَلَى عَيْنَيْهِ فَصَارَ أَصُلَا لِّلُرِّيِّهِ فَلَمَّا أَخْبَرَ جِبْرَ النَّبْلُ النَّبِيُّ عَلَيْهُ بِهِ لِهِ الْقِصَّةَ قَالَ عَلَيْهِ السَّلامُ : " مَنُ سَمِعَ إِسْمِي فِي الْآذَانِ فَقَبَّلَ ظَفَرَى إِبْهَامَيْهِ وَمَسَحَ عَلَى عَيْنَيْهِ لَمُ يَعْمِ أَكِدًا " و (تغييروح البيان مني 7/271 م كرية 55 مورة الازاب مطبوعة داراحياه التراث العرلي ميروت طبح اول 2001 م) It is stated in Qasas-ul-Anmbiyaa and other books that in paradise (Jannat) Hazrat Aadam ('Alaiehis-Salaam) had a desire to meet the holy Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam), therefore, Almighty Allaah sent revelation (Wah'y) towards him (Hazrat Aadam 'Alaiehis-Salaam) that, he will appear from your body (Sulb i.e. the generation) in the last period. Hazrat Aadam requested to meet him. So Almighty Allaah illuminated the Luminance (Noor) of Muhammad (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) in the index finger (Shahaadat finger) of the right hand of Aadam 'Alaiehis-Salaam. Then this Luminance (Noor) recited the glorification of Allaah (Tasbeeh).

And for this reason, this finger is called finger of *Kalimah* as stated in the book *Rauz-ul-Faa'iq* and Almighty Allaah illuminated the beauty of his beloved Muhammad (*Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam*) in the nails of both the thumbs of Hazrat Aadam (*'Alaiehis-Salaam*) like a mirror. Then Hazrat Aadam (*'Alaiehis-Salaam*) kissed the nails of his thumbs and rubbed them (*softly*) over his eyes. Therefore this tradition (*Sunnat*) was established in his generation.

So when Jibra'eel-e-Ameen ('Alaiehis-Salaam) informed the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) about it. He (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) said, anyone who will hear my name in Azaan and kiss the nails of his thumbs and rubs them (Softly)

over his eyes, he will never be blind."
(Tafseer Rooh-ul-Bayaan, Pg No 272/7, printed by Daar Ihyaa ut turaas Al-Arabi Beirut, first edition 2001)

2. In the same tafseer the Holy Qur'aan, Rooh-ul-Bayaan it states.

در محيط آورده كه تغيير علي بمسجد درآ مدونزد يك ستون بنه سع وصديق رضى الله عنددر برابرآن معرت نشست بود بلال رضى الله عنه برخاست وباذان اهتكال فرمود چون گفت اههد ان محمد رسول الله ابو بكر رضى الله عنه بردوناخن ابها من خودرا بربردو چثم خود نهاده گفت " قُره تَعَيْنى بِكَ يَارَسُولَ الله " چون بلال رضى الله عنه فارغ شد حضرت رسول الله متالة فرموده كه يا ابو بكر بركه بكند چنين كرتوكردى خدا عنها مرزد كنا بان جديدوقد يم اورا گربعمد بوده باشدا كريضا -

(تغيرروح البيان، ص١٤/١)

It is mentioned in Muheet (book) the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) came in the Masjid and sat near a pillar, Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddeeq (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) was also sitting beside him. Hazrat Bilaal (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) got up and started reciting the Azaan, when he said, "Ash hadu Anna Muhammadar Rasoolul-Laah" (I bear witness that Muhammad Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam is the Prophet of Allaah) Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddeeq (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) placed both the nails of his thumbs on his eyes and said, "Qur-ratu 'Aienee Bika Yaa Rasoolal-Laah" (O Prophet of Allaah! Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam, my eyes would remain cool by you (your name).

When Hazrat Bilaal (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) finished reciting the Azaan, the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) said, "O Abu Bakr! any person who will do like what you did Almighty Allaah will forgive all his sins."

(Tafseer Rooh-ul-Bayaan, pg no 272/7)

3. وصفرت شخ امام ابوطالب محمد بن على المكى رفع الله درجة ورقوت القلوب روايت كرده از ابن عيية رحمه الله كه محضرت بينج برعليه الصلوة والسلام بمسجد درآ مد در دجه محرم و بعد از انكه نماز جعه ادا فرموده بود نزديك اسطوانه قرار گرفت و ابو بكر رضى الله عنه بظهر ابها مين چشم خود رامس كرد وگفت قرة عنى بك بارسول الله و چون بلال رضى الله عنه از اذان فراختى روئ موده كهاى ابا بكر بركه بگويد آنچه تو گفت از روئ ما قال عنه از از ان فراختى دو بكند آنچة تو كردى خدات درگز اردگنا بان و برا

Hazrat Shaiekh Imaam Abu Taalib Muhammad bin Ali Al Makki (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) states in his book, "Qootul Quloob" quoted from Ibne 'Uyaienah (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) who says, "On the 10th of Muharram the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) came to the Masjid to perform the Friday prayers (Jumu'ah Salaat).

ا نجيه باشدنو دوكبنه خطا وعمدونهان وآشكارا - (تغييره ح البيان مغراء/١)

He sat near a pillar, Hazrat Abu Bakr (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) while hearing in Azaan the name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) placed gently the nails of his thumbs on his (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) eyes and said, "Qur-ratu 'Aienee Bika Yaa Rasoolal-Laah" ("My eyes would remain cool by you (your name) O holy Prophet of Allaah!") When Hazrat Bilaal (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) concluded the Azaan, the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) said, "O Abu Bakr! "Any person who will rub his thumbs on his eyes like you while hearing my name and will say what you said, Almighty Allaah will forgive all his new, old, hidden and visible sins."

(Tafseer Rooh-ul-Bayaan, Pg No 272/7)

4. Renowned Scholar Imaam Shams-ud-deen Muhammad bin Abdur Rahmaan Sakhaavi (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) states with reference of Daielmi, (Musnadul Firdaus, Book of Ahaadees)

لَمُّ اسَمِعَ قُوْلَ الْمُؤَوِّنِ اَشْهَادُ اَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللّٰهِ قَالَ هَلْاً وَقَبْلَ بَاطِنَ الْاَلْمَلَتُيْنِ وَمَسَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ فَقَالَ عَلَيْهُ مَنْ فَعَلَ مِفْلَ مَافَعَلَ خَلِيْلِي فَقَدْ حَلَّتُ عَلَيْهِ السَّبَابَعَيْنِ وَمَسَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ فَقَالَ عَلَيْهُ مَنْ فَعَلَ مِفْلَ مَافَعَلَ خَلِيْلِي فَقَدْ حَلَّتُ عَلَيْهِ السَّبَابَعِيْنِ وَمَسَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ فَقَالَ عَلَيْهُ مَنْ فَعَلَ مِفْلَ مَافَعَلَ خَلِيْلِي فَقَدْ حَلَّتُ عَلَيْهِ (2004م) السَّبَابِعِيْنِ وَمَسَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ فَقَالَ عَلَيْهُ مَنْ فَعَلَ مِفْلَ مَافَعَلَ خَلِيلِي فَقَدْ حَلَّتُ عَلَيْهِ (2004م) مَنْ وَمَسَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ فَقَالَ عَلَيْهُ مَنْ فَعَلَ مِفْلَ مَافَعَلَ خَلِيلِي فَقَدْ حَلَّتُ عَلَيْهِ (2004م) السَّبَابِعِيْنِ وَمَسَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ فَقَالَ عَلَيْهُ مَنْ فَعَلَ مِفْلَ مَافَعَلَ خَلِيلِي فَقَدْ حَلَّتُ عَلَيْهِ (2004م) (2004م) والتامدالي المائية المائة المعالى المنافرة الله المعالى الله المنافرة المنافرة الله المنافرة الله المنافرة الله المنافرة المنافر

(Al Maqaasidul Hasanah, pg no 390 under letter Meem, printed by Daarul Kitaab Al Arabi, Beirut, first edition 2004)

5. The same Imaam Sakhaavi (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) narrates from the book "مُورُجَبات الرَّحمة وعزائم المغفرة " Mu'jibaatur Rahmah Wa Azaa'imal Maghfirah by Hazrat Abul Abbaas Ahmad bin Abi Bakr Ar Radaad Al-Yamaani that, Hazrat Khizr ('Alaiehis-Salaam) said,

مَنُ قَالَ حِيْنَ يَسْمَعُ الْمُوَذِّنَ يَقُولَ اَشْهَدُ اَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللهِ مَرْحَبًا بِحَبِيْبِي وَقُرَّةِ عَيْنِي وَقُرَّةِ عَيْنِي وَقُرَّةِ عَيْنِي وَهُرَّةِ عَيْنِي وَهُرَّةً اَيَدًا لَا عَيْنِي مُحَمَّدِ بُنِ عَبُدِ اللهِ (عَلَيْ عَنْنَهُ وَمُدُ اَيَدًا لَا عَيْنِي مُحَمَّدِ بُنِ عَبُدِ اللهِ (عَلَيْ عَلَى عَيْنَي وَهُرُ اَيَدًا لَا عَيْنِي مُحَمَّد بُنِ عَبُدِ اللهِ (عَلَيْ عَلَى عَنْنَهُ وَاللهِ مَنْ مُعَلَى عَيْنَهُ وَمَدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اَيَدًا لَا عَلَيْ مَعْدَا لَا اللهِ مَرْمُدُ المَعْلَى عَيْنَهُ وَاللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمَلُولُ اللهِ مَرْمَلُولُ اللهِ مَرْمَلُولُ اللهِ مَرْمَلُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُولُ اللهُ مَلْ مُعَلِّلُهُ مَا مُعَلِي عَلَيْكُ اللّهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَالِي عَلَيْ عَلَيْكُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَرْمُدُ اللهِ مَا اللهُ اللهِ مُعَلِّدُ اللّهِ مَا اللهِ مُعَلّمُ اللهِ مَا اللهِ مُلْمُ اللهِ مَا اللّهِ مَا اللهِ مَا اللهِ مَا اللهِ مَا اللّهِ مَا اللّهِ مَا اللّهِ مَا اللّهِ مَا اللهِ مَا اللّهِ مَا اللّهِ مَا اللهِ مَا اللّهِ

Any person on hearing "Ash hadu Anna Muhammadar Rasoolul-Laah," by the Mu'az-zin says, "Marhaban Bi Habeebee Wa Qur-ratu 'Aienee Muhammad ibne Abdil-Laah (Sallal Laahu Alaiehi Wa Sallam)," (Well come most beloved and coolness of my eyes holy Prophet of Allaah, son of Hazrat Abdul-Laah (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam), then kiss his thumbs and place them on his eyes, his eyes will never be sore.

(Al-Maqaasidul Hasanah, pg no 390)

6. The same Imaam Sakhaavi (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) narrates from Faqeeh Muhammad bin Sa'eed Khaulaani (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) that Saiyyidina Hazrat Imaam Hasan ('Alaiehis-Salaam) said,

Anyone on hearing by the Mu'az-zin "Ash hadu Anna Muhammadar Rasool ul-Laah" says, "Marhaban Bi Habeebee Wa Qur-ratu 'Aienee Muhammad ibne Abdil-Laah (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam)" (Well come my most beloved and coolness of my eyes holy Prophet of Allaah, son of Hazrat Abdul-Laah Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) and will kiss his thumbs and apply them on his eyes he will never be blind, nor his eyes will ever be sore."

(Al-Maqaasidul Hasanah, pg no 391)

7. The same Imaam Sakhaavi (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) narrates from book, 'Taareekh' by Imaam Shams Muhammad bin Saalih Madani that he said, I have heard Hazrat Majd Misri (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) who was amongst the most pious and the noblest saying that,

Any person on hearing the blessed name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) in Azaan and reads Salutation (Durood) and joins his thumbs and index fingers and kisses them and rubs them on his eyes (gently), his eyes will never be sore.

(Al-Maqaasidul Hasanah, pg no 391)

8. The same Imaam Sakhaavi (Rahmatul Laahi Alaieh) narrates from the same Imaam Muhammad bin Saalih's book, 'Taareekh' he has said, it is narrated from many scholars of Iraq, "While rubbing eyes with thumbs after kissing them read the following salutation:

"Sal-lal-Laahu 'Alaieka Yaa Saiy-yidee Yaa Rasoolal-Laahi Yaa Habeeba Qalbee Wa Yaa Noora Basaree Wa Yaa Qurratu 'Aienee." (Allaah's salutation on you, O my Master! O Allaah's Messenger! O the dearest of my heart! and O Light of my eyes! and O coolness of my eyes!") If Allaah wills (In Shaa Allaah) his eyes will never be sore and this is well experienced. After this the same Imaam says, since I have heard this, I have been practicing this blessed action. To this day my eyes have not been sore. And if Allaah wills (In Shaa Allaah) they will never be sore."

(Al-Maqaasidul Hasanah, pg no 391)

9. The same Imaam Sakhaavi (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) narrates from Imaam Taa'oosi (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) that he have heard this holy Saying (Hadees) from (Khaawajah-e-Hadees) Experts of hadees Shams-ud-deen Muhammad bin Abi Nasr Bukhaari (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) that,

A person while hearing the *Kalimah Shahaadat* from *Mu'az-zin* kisses the nails of his thumbs and rubs them on eyes and reads this:

"Al-Laahum-mah faz Hada qataiy-ya Wa Nooru humaa Bi Barkatin Hada qataie Muhammadir-Rasoolil-Laahi (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) Wa Noori himaa" (O Allaah! due to the blessings of the blessed eyes of the holy Prophet Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam and its Luminance secure my eyesight and their brightness). He will never be blind.

(Al-Maqaasidul Hasanah, pg no 391)

10. In summary of Nagaayah it is stated,

وَاَعْلَمُ أَنَّهُ يَسُتَحَبُ أَنْ يُقَالَ عِنْدَ سِمَاعِ الْاُولِيٰ مِنَ الشَّهَادَةِ الثَّانِيَةِ ''صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْکَ يَارَسُولَ اللَّهِ '' وَعِنْدَ الثَّانِيَةِ مِنْهَا ''قُرَّةُ عَيْنِي بِکَ يَارَسُولَ اللَّهِ '' قُمَّ يُقَالُ'' اللَّهُمُّ مِتَّعْنِي بِالسَّمْعِ وَالْبَصَرِ '' بَعْدَ وَضَعَ ظَفَرَي الْإِبْهَامَيْنِ عَلَى الْعَيْنَيْنِ فَإِنَّهُ عَيْنَةً عَيْنَةً يَكُونُ لَهُ قَاثِدًا إِلَى الْجَنَّةِ (ردالالارماب الذان، ١٩٨/١١مليدان؟ ١٩٨/١ممليدان ٢٩٨/١٥مليدان ٢٩٨)

"Acknowledge this, on hearing the first Shahaadat in Azaan, to say "Sal-lal-Laahu 'Alaieka Yaa Rasoolal-Laah" (Salutation on you the holy Prophet Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) and on the second Shahaadat to say, "Qur-ratu 'Aienee Bika Yaa Rasoolal-Laah" (my eyes would remain cool by you (your Name) O holy Prophet! (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) is preferred. Then place the nails of your thumbs (after kissing them) on your eyes and say, "Al-Laahum-ma Mat-ti'nee Bis-sam'i Wal Basar" ("O Allaah! give me pleasure on hearing the name and on seeing the name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam). Then the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) will lead a person who does this act to paradise."

11. Renowned scholar Allamah Shaami (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) says in Raddul Muhtaar summary of Durre Mukhtaar (printed by H.M.Saeed Company, Karachi) after writing this statement,

كذا فى كنز العباد قهستانى وَنحوه فى الفتاوى الصّوفيه وَفى كتاب الفردوس: مَنْ قَبّل ظَفَرَى إِبْهَامَيْهِ عِنْدَ سِمَاعِ اَشْهَدُ اَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَّسُولُ اللهِ فِى الْاَذَانِ اَنَا قَائِدُهُ وَمُدْخِلُهُ فِى صُفُوفِ الْجَنَّةِ وَتَمَا مُهُ فِى حَوَاشِى ٱلْبحر لِلرَّمُلِيُ (روالحن رُرواعن رسم ١/٣٩٨)

The same statement is written in (book) Kanzul Ubaad of Imaam Qahastaani (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) and similarly in Fataawa Soofiyah and in Kitaabul Firdaus that, "Any person who kisses the nails of his thumbs on hearing "Ash hadu An-na Muhammadar Rasoolul-Laah" in Azaan. (About him the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) have said) "I am his leader and will enter him in the rows of paradise." Its complete explanation is present in Ramlee footnotes of "Bahrur-ur-Raa'iq (book)."

12. The Chief of Jurist of Hanafee creed Allaamah Tahtaavi (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) quotes this narration from (the explanation of) Miraaq-e-Falaah and have also quoted from Daielmi (Musnadul Firdaus) Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddeeq (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu)'s this Marfoo Hadees (which has a strongest chain of transmission) he says,

'This has also been narrated by Hazrat Khizr ('Alaiehis-Salaam) this tradition is practiced in virtuour deeds.'

(At-Tah taawi 'Alaa Maraaqil Falaah, Pg No 111)

13. Renowned scholar Imaam Qahastaani (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) quotes in Sharhul Kabeer from Kanzul Ubaad as follows,

واصُلَمُ أَنَّهُ يُسْعَحَبُ أَنْ يُنْقَالَ عِنْدَ سَمَاعِ الْأَوْلَى مِنَ الشَّهَادَةِ الثَّانِيَةِ "صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْکَ يَارَسُولَ اللهِ" وَعِنْدَسَمَاعِ النَّانِيَةِ "قُرَّةُ عَيْنِي بِكَ يَارَسُولَ اللهِ" ثُمَّ يُقَالُ " اللَّهُمَّ مَقِّعِنِي بِالسَّمْعِ وَالْبَصَرِ" بَعْدَ وَضَعِ ظَفَرَى الْإِبْهِامَيْنِ عَلَى الْعَيْنَيْنَ فَاللَّهُ عَلَيْكُ اللَّهُمَّ مَقِّعِينَ بِالسَّمْعِ وَالْبَصَرِ" بَعْدَ وَضَعِ ظَفَرَى الْإِبْهِامَيْنِ عَلَى الْعَيْنَيْنَ فَاللَّهُ عَلَيْكُ اللَّهُمَّ مَقِّعْنِي بِالسَّمْعِ وَالْبَصَرِ" بَعْدَ وَضَعِ ظَفَرَى الْإِبْهِامَيْنِ عَلَى الْعَيْنَيْنَ فَاللَّهُ عَلَيْكُ اللهُ اللهِ اللهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللهِ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهِ اللهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللّهُ اللّه

Acknowledge, it is undoubted very desirable to say on hearing the first Shahaadat in Azaan, "Sal-lal-Laahu 'Alaieka Yaa Rasoolal-Laah" (Allaah blessing on you O Prophet of Allaah!) and on the second Shadaadat to say, "Qur-ratu 'Aienee Bika Yaa Rasoolal-Laah" (my eyes would remain cool by you (your name O Allaah's Prophet!) and then put the nails of his thumbs on your eyes (after kissing them) and say, "Al-Laahum-mah Mat-ti'nee Bis-sam'i Wal Basar," ("O Allaah! give me pleasure on hearing the name and on seeing the name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam)." Then the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) will lead a person who does this to paradise.

- 14. It is stated in the famous book of Shaafi'ee creed (المرسر) "l'aanatul Taalibeen Alaa "اعانة الطّالين عَلَى حل الفاظ فتح المعين" "اعانة الطّالين عَلَى حل الفاظ فتح المعين" (المرسر) "f'aanatul Taalibeen Alaa Halli Alfaazi Fath-ul-Mu'een" (pg no 247, printed in Egypt) and it is also stated in the famous book of Maalikee creed.
- 15. It is stated in the "كفاية الطالب الرّباني لرسالة ابن ابي زيد القيرواني" "Kifaayatut-taalibir-Rabbaani Li Risaalati Ibne Abee Zaied Al-Qaierwaani" (pg no 69/1), read Durood Shareef while you hear the holy name of the holy Prophet (Sallai Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) in Azaan.

Then kiss thumbs and put them on eyes, you will never be blind nor will your eyes be sore ever. 16. The Master of the Masters (Shaiekh-ul Mashaaikh), Chief of Researches (Raees-ul Muhaqqiqeen) and Leader of the Scholars of the Hanafee creed in Makkah Mukarramah (Saiyyid ul 'Ulama il Hanafiyyah Bi Makkatil Mukarramah) Maulana Jamaal bin Abdul-Laah bin 'Umar Makki (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaiehi) states the following in his verdict (Fataawa) of religion.

سُيلُتُ عَنُ تَقْبِيْلِ الْإِبْهَامَيْنِ وَ وَضَعِهِمَا عَلَى الْعَيْنَيْنِ عِنْدَ ذِكْرِ اسْمِهِ عَلَيْ فِي الْآذَانِ هَلُ هُوَ مُسْتَعَبِّ الْإِبْهَامَيْنِ وَ وَضُعُهُمَا عَلَى الْعَيْنَيْنِ هَلُ هُو مُسْتَحَبُّ صَرَّحَ بِهِ مَشَائِخُنال الْعَيْنَيْنِ عِنْدَ ذِكْرِ السّمِهِ عَلَيْ فِي لَاذَانِ جَائِزٌ بَلُ هُوَ مُسْتَحَبُّ صَرَّحَ بِهِ مَشَائِخُنال عَلَى الْعَيْنَيْنِ عِنْدَ ذِكْرِ السّمِهِ عَلَيْكُ فِي لَاذَانِ جَائِزٌ بَلُ هُوَ مُسْتَحَبُّ صَرَّحَ بِهِ مَشَائِخُنال عَلَى اللها اللها عَن مَوْنِ الله اللها عَلَى الله عَلَى الله عَلَى الله عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى الله عَلَى الله عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللها عَلَى الله عَلَى الله عَلَى الله عَلَى الله عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى الله عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى الله عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللها عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللهَ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهُ عَلَى اللهِ عَلَى

I was asked whether it is permissible to kiss the thumbs and put it over the eyes while mentioning the blessed name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) in Azaan or not?

I replied in these following words, "Yes it is permissible infact it is desirable to kiss the thumbs and rub them over the eyes while hearing the holy name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) in Azaan. Our religious Masters have emphasized this act as desirable.

(Muneer-ul 'Aien Fi Hukm-e-taqbeel-ul Ibhaa maien, Pg No 14)

17. The Master of the Scholars and the Interpreter (Ash Shaiekh Al Aalim Al Mufassir), renowned scholar Noor-ud-deen Al Khuraasaani (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) states, I used to kiss my thumbs on hearing the holy name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) in Azaan, after a while I stopped doing this and my eyes became sore.

فَرَايْتُهُ عَلَيْكُ مَنَامًا فَقَالَ لِمَ تَرَكْثَ مَسْحَ عَيْنَيْكَ عِنْدَ الْاَذَانِ إِنْ اَرَدُتُ اَنْ تَبُرَا عَيْنَاكَ فَعُدُ إِلَى الْمَسْحِ فَاسْعَيْقَظْتُ وَمَسَحْثُ فَبَرِقْتُ وَلَمْ يُعَاوِدُنِي مَرَحُهُمَا إِلَى الْإِنِ - (ثُحُ السَّارِنْ تَبْلِ اللها عِن في الاقام فيه، ملوم ربل،) Then I saw the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) in my dream. He (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) said, Why have you stopped kissing your thumb during the Azaan and putting them on your eyes? If you want your eyes cured then start this practice again. So I got up and started doing this practice again and my eyes were cured. And since then that disease has not returned.

18. Hazrat Wahab bin Munabbah (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) states that, there was a person in the Children of Israa'eel (Bani Israa'eel) who spent two hundred years in disobeying Almighty Allaah. When he died people threw him in garbage (where dirt is thrown). Allaah Almighty sent revelation to Hazrat Moosa ('Alaiehis-Salaam) to pick him up from there and read prayer (Namaaz) for him. Hazrat Moosa ('Alaiehis-Salaam) said, "O My Real Nourisher! the Children of Israa'eel (Bani Israa'eel) gives testimony of him being disobedient." It was asserted, "That is right!"

but it was his habit when he opened the *Tauraat* (Torah) and he saw the holy name of Muhammad he would kiss this name and put it on his eyes and send salutation on him. So, I have accepted this goodness and pardoned all his sins, and have married seventy *houries* (Hoors) to him.*

(Hilyatul Auliyaa by Abu Nu'aiem, pg no 42/4 and Seerat-e-Halabiyah, pg no 85/1)

^{*} We got this message from the narrator to love holy Prophet (Sallel Leahu 'Alaleh We Sallem), to kiss his name and to respect him is a very valuable act. (Translator)

19. Saiyyid-ul Aarifeen (Chief of holy men) Hazrat Maulana Ruum (Rahmatul Laahi 'Alaieh) says in Masnawee Shareef,

In Bible (Ing'eel) the name of Mustafaa (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) was written who is the leader of all the Prophets and who is a person of Oceanic purity.

(Beside this) his (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) physical attributes, appearance, qualities of endeavouring holy war in the way of Allaah, fasting, eating, and drinking conditions are also written.

A group of Christians for the sake of rewards would do his goodness that when they reached the holy name and holy titles; they would kiss this holy name and place their face on it in due respect.

Due to this respect their generation grew tremendously and the holy Luminance of the holy Prophet (Sallai Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam (in every matter) became their companion and their supporter.

And another group of Christians use to disrespect the holy name of the holy Prophet (Sallai Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam)

These people were degraded and humiliated, they were deprived of their being (they were killed) and were deprived of their faith meaning their belief were mislead.

When only the holy name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) helps like this than imagine how much his holy Luminance would help.

When only the holy name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) is such a strong fort of protection than how will be the blessed personality of this holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam).

(Masnawee Shareef, Vol- 1)

Doubts, some people say that all these sayings (Ahaadees) have a weak chain of transmission (Da'eef). Not even one of them has a strongest chain of transmission (Saheeh Marfoo Hadees). Therefore, Expert Narrators (Muhaddiseen) have said by writing this saying (Hadees) لايصح في المراوع Laa Yusihhu Fil Marfoo,' (meaning it is not strong upto holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaieh Wa Sallam) to qualify as Marfoo Saheeh). Declares that these Ahaadees are Mauqoof Saheeh (which means there is a proof of its being linked to the Companions of holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) so how an issue of Sharee'at can be proved by weak sayings (Da'eef Hadees)?

Declaring of the Expert Narrators (Muhaddiseen-e-Kiraam) about any saying (Hadees) it is not Saheeh (it has the strongest chain of transmission) doesn't mean that this saying (Hadees) is absolutely incorrect and invalid. But it means this saying

(Hadees) transmission could not reach the highest level of authenticity. Like the Narrators (Muhaddiseen) in their terminology explain this as levels of strengths.

Remember, in the terminology of authentic narrators the highest level of a saving (Hadees) which has the strongest chain of transmission is called "Saheeh" and the lowest level is called "Mauzoo" (which is in reality a fabricated narration). In between these two there are numerous other types of Ahaadees Shareef * which are of different levels based on the strengths of transmission. After "Saheeh" the next level is called "Hasan." Therefore it is not as strong as Saheeh this does not mean that it's not even Hasan. Even if it is a Da'eef Hadees (weak transmission in chain) then in the issue of Fazaa'il-e-A'maal (virtues of deeds) it is unanimously accepted. And the expert narrators saving that the chain of narrators cannot be traced back to the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) then it does not qualify as Marfoo Saheeh. However, this shows that the hadees qualifies as Magoof Saheeh meaning there is proof of its link to the Companions of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam).

20. Therefore, renowned scholar Imaam Mullaa Ali Qaari (Rahmatul laahi 'Alaieh) says,

^{*} Details of the Hadees Shareef:

Saheeh Hadees, a genuine tradition is one which has been handed down by truly pious people who have been distinguished for their integrity.

Hasan Hadees, a mediocre tradition is one the narrators of which do not approach in moral excellence to those of the Saheeh class.

Da'eef Hadees, a weak tradition is one whose narrators are of questionable authority. Mauqoof Hadees, a restricted tradition is a saying or an act related or performed by one of the Companions of the Prophet.

Mauzoo Hadees, an invented tradition one the untruth of which is beyond dispute. (Dictionary of Islaam, pg no 640)

I say it is proved when this saying (Hadees) elevates to the first Caliph Hazrat Siddeeq-e-Akbar (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) then it is sufficient to be acted upon because it is the saying of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam), "I make my tradition (Sunnat) and tradition of my true first four Caliphs (Khulafaa-e-Raashideen) mandatory on you."

It is proved this Hadees-e-Mauqoof is correct (Saheeh) because it can be traced up to Hazrat Saiyyidina Abu Bakr Siddeeq (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu). And the tradition (Sunnat) of Saiyyidina Abu Bakr (Radiyal Laahu 'Anhu) is the tradition of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam). Therefore, even the leaders of the opponents Janaab Khaleel Ahmad Ambethvi and Janaab Rasheed Ahmad Gangohi says, if the evidence of their permissibility is found in first three periods (Quroon-e-Salaasah),* then it is acceptable. Any action or good deed will be considered as good as Sunnah, if its permissibility is found in the early three periods although it is found or not found in the same specific form or its kind.

(Baraaheen-e-Qaati'ah pg no 28)

It is proved from Gangohi Saahib to kiss the thumbs while listening to the holy name in *Azaan* is a tradition (*Sunnat*). Because its originality is proved true from the statement of Mullaa 'Alee Qaari in the three eras (*Quroon-e-Salaasah*). Then to call it innovation (*Bid'at*) etc is not ignorance and prejudice, then what is it?

^{*} Quroon-e-Salaasah, Three early periods:

Qarn-e-Awwal, the period of the holy Prophet's (Sallal Laahu 'Alaieh Wa Sallam) physical presence on earth.

Qarm-e-Saani, period till the last Companion of the holy Prophet was present on earth. (Sallel Lashu 'Aleieh We Sallam).

Qarn-e-Saalis, Till the last Taabi'ee (particularly those Muslim doctors who followed the immediate Companions of the holy Prophet (Salial Lashu 'Alaleh Wa Saliam) were present on earth

Please Pay Attention

My Sunni Brothers! Come to your senses. Be aware. This is a very delicate era and a period of corruption. It is a time of great ordeal. Storms of ill-religiousness, ill-faith and hurricanes of misleading are ferocious. Therefore, strongly guard your faith and beliefs and remain on the path of the Noblest of the religion. Avoid the company, gathering, speeches and lectures of others. Read the autobiographies of the renowned scholars of Allaah, Pious people of the religion and Religious ancestors. Read their books and establish prayers and fasts. Maintain abundance of Durood Shareef and Salaat-o-Salaam. Wear simple and clean clothes. Don't keep hair like others on head but keep according to the traditions (Sunnat) of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam). Adopt the company of any Friends of Allaah who would be Allaah's beloved person in true meaning. Live with love and mutual unity among yourselves. May Almighty. Most Gracious Allaah through the mediation of the Kind, beloved (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) keep us steadfast on the belief and practices of Ahle-Sunnat Wa Jamaa'at and conclude our end on faith (leemaan). Aameen

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Inquirer of prayers

Muhammad Shafee Al Khateeb Okarvi
(Ghufira Lahu)

Karachi.



Respected Readers!

Make it clear that kissing the thumbs and placing them on eyes while hearing the respected name of the Beloved of Allaah, Mercy of the Worlds, Ultimate Luminance, Most Gracious, holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) during Azaan or beside Azaan is a sign of adoration. Remember, there is no evidence that prohibits it. From the details of this booklet it is very clear to you, that without any doubt, not only is this action allowed and desirable but it is also a cause for blessings and bounties in this world and hereafter. And according to the dictum of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) it is a cause of well being for our eyes and forgiveness of our sins. And how nice it will be that on the Day of Judgment when our body parts will be giving evidence infront of Allaah, our fingers will give this evidence that they use to kiss the name of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) and put them on our eyes.

Sad it is really sad, that those people who consider good things done in love and respect of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) as wrong and forbidden, they don't realize that due to their rumours they are providing people in the Muslim Community chances of mockery and distraction from symbols of Islaam. And due to this so many people have stopped adopting good practices and are going ashtray. These people are becoming the cause of this mischievousness of other people and they are gathering the burden of others viciousness.

May Allaah Kareem for the sake of His beloved's keep us steadfast on righteousness and bless us excellent status in the love of His Most Beloved.

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(Love of Muhammad (Sallal Lashu 'Alaishi Wa Sallam) is the first pledge of the true faith

If there is defect in it then everything else is incomplete)

Kaukab-e-Noorani Ra Ahmad Shafee (May Muhammad (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam) be the intercessor on behalf of Kaukab Noorani)

> Okarvi (Ghufira Lahu)

Translator Note

Revivalist of the true Sunnee path and the lover of the Holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam), Hazrat Khateeb-e-'A'zam Pakistan Maulana Muhammad Shafee Okarvi (Rahmatul Laahi Alaieh) has all his life only done work of spreading radiance. Even today, his speeches and writings are considered the title of brilliance. He was a true lover of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam). And he wanted to furnish every Muslim with the fragrance of the love of the holy Prophet (Sallal Laahu 'Alaiehi Wa Sallam).

This booklet presented before the readers is also filled with the same fragrance. English translation of this book was being done initially by Janaab Miyaan Muhammad Imraan ul Haq, (Deputy Commissionar Retd.) while in the mean time a young scholar Maulana Aaftaab Qasim from Durban, a city of South Africa, also received this auspiciousness. His translation was also published. May Almighty Allaah give them great rewards for their service.

The auspiciousness of filling up whatever was left out in the text of these two translations has come to me. May my Allaah Rabb-e-Kareem accept this little effort. I request the readers if they find any mistake in my translation please inform us.

Jazaa Kumul-Laahu Khaier.

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